

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as currently amended and in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

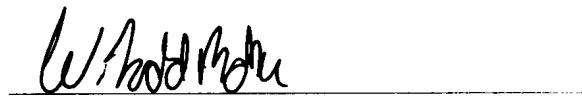
Claims 19-21, 23, 24, 26-29, 42, and 44-46 are presently active in this case. Claims 1, 3-18, and 30-41 have been cancelled by the current amendment in response to the Quayle Action.

In view of the present amendment, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance.

An early and favorable action is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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